THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE K.C. BHANU

On Wednesday, the twenty fourth day of August

Two thousand and Five.

W.P.No.15437 of 2001

K.K.Kumaran, s/o K.KI.Chekkini, aged about 56 years, r/o Qtr.No.F.7, B.H.P.V.Township, Visakhapatnam

.....Petitioner

And

M/s Bharat Heavy Plates & Vessels Limited,

(A Government of India Undertaking), represented

by its Managing Director, Visakhapatnam and another

...Respondents.

O R D E R:

There being no representation on behalf of the petitioner on 23-08-2004, the writ petition was directed to be listed under the caption 'for dismissal' today. Today, when the matter has been taken up for hearing in the forenoon, none appears of the petitioner, no representation either.

Learned counsel for the petitioner appeared after a while and requested to pass over the matter to 2.15. p.m. Hence, the matter was passed over to 2.15 p.m. Even at 2.15. p.m. none appears for the petitioner, no representation either.

The prayer sought in the writ petition is to promote the petitioner to the post of Gde.I Blacksmith from the date of his eligibility. There cannot be any dispute that promotion cannot be claimed as a matter of right. At best, the petitioner can plead to consider his case for promotion. Since the prayer in the

writ petition is itself to promote him, such relief cannot be granted.

Hence, the writ petition is dismissed. No order as to costs.

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JUSTICE K.C. BHANU

24th August 2005

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